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SUBJECT:REPORT OF FEDAYEEN ATTACK ON GOLAN HEIGHTS

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

1. YOU SHOULD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE CONVEY TO SHIHABI THE FOLLOWING: THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT HAS REPORTED TO US THAT A GROUP OF SEVEN SABOTEURS PENETRATED THE GOLAN LINES FROM SYRIA THE NIGHT OF OCTOBER 28. THEY HAD CROSSED THE LINE ABOUT 10 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF KUNEITRA. THROUGH INTER-ROGATION OF THOSE CAPTURED, THE ISRAELIS SAY THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE OPERATION WAS TO HIT AN ISRAELI SETTLEMENT EAST OF GALILEE AND THAT THE OPERATION HAD BEEN CARRIED OUT WITH THE ACQUIESCENCE OF THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT. THE ISRAELIS SAID THEY HAD INFORMED UNDOF INFORMALLY.

2. YOU SHOULD SAY TO SHIHABI THAT WE HAVE NO INDEPENDENT INFORMATION ON THIS SUBJECT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER
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INFORMATION THE SYRIANS CAN PROVIDE ON THIS REPORT. WE

ARE URGING THE ISRAELIS NOT TO ACT IN RESPONSE TO THIS
SITUATION. WE WILL CONTINUE OUR POLICY OF URGING BOTH
SIDES TO OBSERVE SCRUPULOUSLY THE DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT
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